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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Kenji TAKANO
Title: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS
Appl. No.: 10/032,614
Filing Date: 01/02/2002
Examiner: Sohpie S. Chen
Art Unit: 2852

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- [] Small Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity statement previously submitted.
- [] Small Entity statement is enclosed.
- [] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Additional Claims Fee
Total Claims:	12	20	0	\$18.00	\$0.00
Independents:	2	3	0	\$84.00	\$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:				\$280.00	\$0.00
CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:					\$0.00

- [] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

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EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:			\$0.00
CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:			\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		\$0.00
TOTAL FEE:			\$0.00

- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 in the amount of \$0.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$0.00 is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

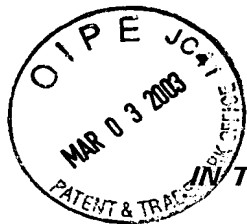
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated December 4, 2002, concerning the above-referenced patent application. Please reconsider the above referenced application as follows.

In the Abstract:

Please replace the Abstract with the Abstract attached as an Appendix to this Amendment & Reply. A marked up version of the Abstract showing the changes made is included in the attached "Marked Up Version Showing Changes Made."

In the Claims:

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.121, please substitute for claims 2-4, 11 and 12, the following rewritten versions of the same claims, as amended. The changes are shown explicitly in the attached "Marked Up Version Showing Changes Made."

Further, please cancel claim ~~1~~ without prejudice or disclaimer, and add new claim 13 as set forth below.

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